

CLAIMS

I claim:

1. A beverage holding device comprising:

a panel having a peripheral edge, said panel having a plurality of slots opening at said peripheral edge, each of said plurality of slots extending inwardly from said peripheral edge.
2. The device of Claim 1, each of said plurality of slots having a generally C-shaped configuration.
3. The device of Claim 1, each of said plurality of slots being of a generally circular configuration with an opening at said peripheral edge having a width that is less than a diameter of the slot inwardly of said opening.
4. The device of Claim 1, said peripheral edge being a curved edge.
5. The device of Claim 4, each of said plurality of slots facing different directions along said curved edge.
6. The device of Claim 4, said panel having a back edge extending between ends of curved edge, said back edge having an arcuate configuration, a radius of said back edge being greater than a radius of said curved edge.
7. The device of Claim 1, said panel having a top surface and a bottom surface, said device further comprising:

a support element extending downwardly from said bottom surface of said panel.

8. The device of Claim 7, said support element being of a tapered configuration with a diameter at said bottom surface of said panel being greater than a diameter of said support element at a bottom end of said support element.

9. The device of Claim 7, said support element comprising:

a first support member extending downwardly from a central area of said panel;

a second support member positioned adjacent an edge of said panel opposite said peripheral edge and extending downwardly from said bottom surface of said panel; and

a third support member positioned adjacent said edge of said panel opposite said peripheral edge and extending downwardly from said bottom surface of said panel.

10. The device of Claim 9, said second support member being positioned on a side of said first support member opposite said third support member.

11. The device of Claim 9, each of said first support member and said second support member and said third support member being tapered so as to have a wide diameter at said bottom surface of said panel and a narrow diameter at a bottom end thereof.

12. The device of Claim 9, each of said first support member and said second support member and said third support member being hollow tubular members with an upper end opening at said top surface of said panel.

13. The device of Claim 9, said second support member and said third support member having a generally oval cross section, said first support member having a generally circular cross section.

14. The device Claim 1, said plurality of slots comprising at least four slots each opening at different locations along said peripheral edge.

15. A beverage holding device comprising:

a panel having a peripheral edge, said panel having a plurality of slots opening at said peripheral edge, each of said plurality of slots extending inwardly from said peripheral edge, said panel having a top surface and a bottom surface; and

a support element extending downwardly from said bottom surface of said panel.

16. The device of Claim 15, said support element comprising:

a first support member extending downwardly from a central area of said panel;

a second support member positioned adjacent an edge of said panel opposite said peripheral edge and extending downwardly from said bottom surface of said panel; and

a third support member positioned adjacent said edge of said panel opposite said peripheral edge and extending downwardly from said bottom surface of said panel.

17. The device of Claim 16, each of said first support member and said second support member and said third support member being tapered so as to have wide diameter at said bottom surface and a narrow diameter at a bottom thereof, each of said first support member and said second support member and said third support member being a hollow tubular member with an upper end opening at said top surface of said panel.

18. A beverage holding device comprising:

a panel having a peripheral edge, said panel having a plurality of slots opening at said peripheral edge, each of said plurality of slots extending inwardly from said peripheral edge, each of said plurality of slots having a generally circular configuration with an opening at said peripheral edge having a width that is less than a diameter of the slot inwardly of said opening, said peripheral edge being curved, each of said plurality of slots facing a different direction along said curved edge.

19. The device of Claim 18, said panel having a top surface and a bottom surface, the device further comprising:

a support element extending downwardly from said bottom surface of said panel, said support element being of a tapered configuration with a diameter at said bottom surface of said panel being greater than a diameter of said support element at a bottom end thereof.

20. The device of Claim 19, said support element comprising:

a first support member extending downwardly from a central area of said panel;

a second support member positioned adjacent an edge of said panel opposite said peripheral edge and extending downwardly from said bottom surface of said panel; and

a third support member positioned adjacent said edge of said panel opposite said peripheral edge and extending downwardly from said bottom surface of said panel, each of said first support member and said second support member and said third support member being hollow tubular members with an upper end opening at said top surface of said panel.